

today holds more than 2,400 jobs, surpassing the \$150 million former Navy payroll.

When you read the list of other benchmarks at Brunswick Landing, over only 10 years—the creation of TechPlace, a manufacturing business incubator with 35 resident businesses; attraction of over a half billion dollars in private sector capital investment; property sales to more than 20 new property owners, including more than 650 units of workforce housing; more than \$150 million in new valuation and \$3 million in annual property taxes generated for the Towns of Brunswick and Topsham; more than \$40 million in upgrades to Brunswick Executive Airport's—BXM—infrastructure and buildings; more than \$100 million invested in new building construction and infrastructure projects owned by MRRA; creation of Brunswick Renewable Energy Center, including ownership of former Navy electrical grid with 3.5-megawatt load and 2 megawatts of on-site renewable electricity generation; 10 percent annual growth in air operations, based aircraft, and aviation fuel sales at BXM; environmental stewardship and wildlife habitat preservation, including transfer of more than 1,200 acres of open space and trails to the town of Brunswick and local land trust—it is no wonder Steve's leadership has been recognized, not once but twice, as a recipient of the Association of Defense Contractor's Community Leadership Award as well as by many other State development organizations. I join them wholeheartedly in recognizing Steve for demonstrating innovation and excellence in his work.

Even in his volunteer time, Steve serves on a number of industry and economic development boards, including the Loring Development Authority of Maine, Moosehead Lake Region Economic Development Corporation, Owls Head Transportation Museum, and the Maine Spaceport Leadership Council, to name a few. Steve has also served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps as an aircraft mechanic.

Due to Steve's commitment to economic development and ability to secure funding for a variety of initiatives throughout the years, there has been continued high quality service for new and expanding businesses here in Maine. His ability to coordinate programs and foster partnerships were critical factors in his success, whether it be at the local, State, or national level. As a champion of economic development, I join with his colleagues, friends, and the people of Maine in thanking Steve for his unwavering service to the economic development of our State.●

#### TRIBUTE TO DEPUTY SHERIFF JOHN MINER

● Mr. MARSHALL. Mr. President, I wish to honor and recognize a true hero from Phillipsburg, KS, Deputy Sheriff

John Miner. On November 4, 2020, Deputy Miner responded to an accident caused by a semi-truck colliding with multiple vehicles in Long Island, KS. What was already a scary situation on its own turned worse when fuel from the semi began leaking and ignited shortly after.

A raging fire quickly started, and suddenly, bystanders realized two toddlers—a 4-year-old and 2-year-old—were stuck in one of the cars caught in the accident. Without a second thought, Deputy Miner performed his duty to protect and serve by leaping straight into the whipping fire to rescue those two children. With just a pocketknife, he was able to cut through the seatbelts trapping them and pulled them out miraculously unharmed. Deputy Miner, however, suffered second- and third-degree burns which required skin grafts. Thankfully, he has since recovered from his injuries.

This valiant story caught the attention of many in Kansas and, now, around the Nation, as Deputy Miner has been awarded the Carnegie medal for an extraordinary act of heroism. This award is bestowed on a select few each year for showing true bravery and courage in the face of danger. Deputy Miner is absolutely deserving of this award after rescuing those two children last year from certain death.

I want to thank this brave officer for being so courageous to dive headfirst into peril. As the son of a police chief, I know the risks our men and women in blue take on each day, and they are the most admirable citizens for continually working to ensure our safety. Deputy Miner has shown what true valor looks like, and Phillipsburg is safer because of him. I ask now that my colleagues show this same admiration and recognition for Deputy Miner and that he may stay safe protecting his community.●

#### RECOGNIZING SOUTH LEBANON

● Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the designation of South Lebanon as an Official City in Ohio. In accordance with section 703.06 of the Revised Code of the State of Ohio, a municipality that reaches 5,000 residents in the State of Ohio, automatically becomes a city. Since 2000, the municipality of South Lebanon has grown 151 percent and has reached a population of 6,384.

The growing population of South Lebanon also comes with a rich history. South Lebanon is the oldest town in Warren County, OH, and was also deemed one of the most important towns on the Little Miami River in the late 1700s. In its early days of settlement, it was a stopping place for many pioneers who were venturing across the country in search of a new life. Today, that same town that was a place of possibility and refuge to so many early pioneers has become a booming economic power, bringing new jobs, good

schools, and a strong sense of community.

I am proud to see South Lebanon be recognized for its growth and perseverance as it continues to expand, making Ohio a great place to live and work.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mr. Swann, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

(The message received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:08 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1029. An act to Waive the application fee for any special use permit for veterans' special events at war memorials on land administered by the National Park Service in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4089. An act to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop and disseminate best practices for rental companies and dealers to report suspicious behavior to law enforcement agencies at a point of sale of a covered rental vehicle to prevent and mitigate acts of terrorism using motor vehicles, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4369. An act to amend the 21st Century Cures Act to provide for designation of institutions of higher education that provide research, data, and leadership on advanced and continuous pharmaceutical manufacturing as National Centers of Excellence in Advanced and Continuous Pharmaceutical Manufacturing, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 206 of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 (34 U.S.C. 11116), and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, the Speaker appoints the following individuals on the part of the House of Representatives to the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention: Ms. Sharyl Davis of San Francisco, California, to a 3-year term, and Ms. Renee Rodriguez-Betan-court of Edinburg, Texas, to a 2-year term.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1029. An act to Waive the application fee for any special use permit for veterans' special events at war memorials on land administered by the National Park Service in

the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4089. An act to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop and disseminate best practices for rental companies and dealers to report suspicious behavior to law enforcement agencies at the point of sale of a covered rental vehicle to prevent and mitigate acts of terrorism using motor vehicles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 4369. An act to amend the 21st Century Cures Act to provide for designation of institutions of higher education that provide research, data, and leadership on advanced and continuous pharmaceutical manufacturing as National Centers of Excellence in Advanced and Continuous Pharmaceutical Manufacturing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 3005. A bill establishing appropriate thresholds for certain budget points of order in the Senate, and for other purposes.

S. 3006. A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to extend the discretionary spending limits for fiscal years 2022 through 2031.

S. 3007. A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to extend the discretionary spending limits.

S. 3008. A bill to establish the Federal Rainy Day Fund to control emergency spending.

S. 3009. A bill to amend title VI of the Social Security Act to remove the prohibition on States and territories against lowering their taxes.

S. 3010. A bill to cap noninterest Federal spending as a percentage of potential GDP to right-size the Government, grow the economy, and balance the budget.

### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-2407. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13694 with respect to significant malicious cyber-enabled activities; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2408. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to Restrictions on Shipment or Use for Human Blood and Blood Components Exceptions; Technical Amendment" (Docket No. FDA-2021-N-0011) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2021; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2409. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Physicians' Comparability Allowance Program"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2410. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, De-

partment of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Deputy Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2021; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2411. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance and Mitigation Planning Regulations; Correction" (RIN1660-AA96) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2021; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2412. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Visas: Documentation of Nonimmigrants under the Immigration and Nationality Act; Validity of Visa" (RIN1400-AE82) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2021; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2413. A communication from the Agency Representative, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Trademark Classification Changes" (RIN0651-AD57) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 6, 2021; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2414. A communication from the Regulation Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedule for Rating Disabilities; The Genitourinary Diseases and Conditions" (RIN2900-AQ71) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 6, 2021; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-2415. A communication from the Regulation Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedule for Rating Disabilities; The Cardiovascular System" (RIN2900-AQ67) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 6, 2021; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-2416. A communication from the Regulation Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "VA Acquisition Regulation: Loan Guaranty and Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Programs" (RIN2900-AQ76) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 6, 2021; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-2417. A communication from the Regulation Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "VA Acquisition Regulation: Definitions, Solicitation Provisions and Contract Clauses, and Forms" (RIN2900-AR30) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 6, 2021; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-2418. A communication from the Regulation Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "VA Acquisition Regulation: Simplified Procedures for Health-Care Resources"

(RIN2900-AQ78) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 6, 2021; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-2419. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Office of Economics and Analytics, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Auction of Construction Permits for Low Power Television and TV Translator Stations; Notice and Filing Requirements, Minimum Opening Bids, Upfront Payments, and Other Procedures for Auction 111; Bidding Scheduled to Begin February 23, 2022" ((AU Docket No. 21-284) (DA 21-1176)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2021; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Ms. CANTWELL for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

\*Meera Joshi, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

\*Amitabha Bose, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration.

\*National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration nomination of Nancy A. Hann, to be Rear Admiral.

\*Coast Guard nomination of Rear Adm. James M. Kelly, to be Rear Admiral (Upper Half).

\*Mohsin Raza Syed, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

\*Victoria Marie Baecher Wassmer, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Transportation.

Ms. CANTWELL. Mr. President, for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation I report favorably the following nomination list which was printed in the RECORD on the date indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that this nomination lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

\*Coast Guard nominations beginning with Jason C. Aleksak and ending with Christopher L. Wright, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on September 14, 2021.

By Mr. TESTER for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

\*James D. Rodriguez, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training.

\*Guy T. Kiyokawa, of Hawaii, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Enterprise Integration).

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first